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memorandum

DATE: 1 April 1980

REPLY TO
ATTN OF:

R921/100

[redacted] /S022/2511a

SUBJECT: Study of Soviet Multi-disciplinary Threat

TO: R921, Attn: [redacted]

1. (S) Mr. [redacted] of S022 has been following Soviet work in parapsychology and possible efforts to impair the health, efficiency, or reliability of U.S. communications personnel, e.g., through microwave bombardment at sites such as the [redacted]. It may be prudent to see whether there are abnormal medical or behavioral problems with personnel at other sites operating close to Soviet entities and, if so, to determine whether there is any correlation with Soviet activity.

2. (TS-CCO) Dr. [redacted] of your organization has expressed interest in this area of possible threat. I suggest that you permit him to join Mr. [redacted] in a low key, time available study for selected sites under your jurisdiction.

3. (S) [redacted] of CIA, Office of Scientific Intelligence, Life Sciences Division, has agreed to provide medical support to such a study.

[redacted]
Special Assistant - Operations
Communications Security

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R921 (Dr. [redacted])

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M/R: Both Dr. [] and Dr. [] have indicated considerable interest in pursuing issues and lines of inquiry concerning the Soviet Threat which were raised during the studies of the [] signal. Of chief interest is the question of a multi-disciplinary medical/behavioral threat depicted against SIGINT site/communications personnel. Both are familiar with the [] Threat and medical studies to some extent, and believe as I do that these same kinds of questions need to be asked periodically about suitable environments.

All of us are familiar with the DIA Controlled Offensive Behavior Study of the Army Surgeon General Medical Intelligence Office dated 1972. Highlighted in this work were various efforts at Soviet behavioral control involving drugs, physical abuse, electrical methods, and parapsychological and psychological methods of behavioral control or personality destruction. In his study of KGB training and the mentality of the KGB officer, Dr. [] found a considerably and unexpected emphasis on parapsychology. (During his 1975 interrogation of [] found widespread evidence of KGB experiments aimed at developing paranormal abilities.) Khokhlov in his BBC film appearance about Georgi Markov worried about increased KGB and Bloc Secret Services' aggressiveness against the West. Greatly increased Soviet Bloc intelligence activity has been noted in the U.S. particularly since 1975. Soviet interactions with the Jonestown group left many questions related to the range, diversity, and aggressiveness of Bloc intelligence to destabilize and disorient Western Society and specific targets.

Recent studies referred to by Dr. W. Ross Adey of the Veterans Administration Hospital in Loma Linda California, call into question again, the effect of low levels of specific kinds of microwave radiation. Frequencies used by the military radars have been shown to cause changes to brain chemistry. (It causes the release of a large amount of calcium ions which affects brain signal transmissions.)

As Dr. [] has a number of sites under his cognizance, he decided, in view of the above considerations, that it might be an opportune moment to take another look.

Mr. [] and Mr. [] S02, have concurred in this project and in the memorandum.

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